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#### (U) CALIFORNIA

## (U) San Diego—Android Bug Fear in 900 Million Phones

(U) Serious security flaws that could give attackers complete access to a phone's data have been found in software used on chipsets made by San Diego-based firm Qualcomm. The processors are found in about 900 million Android phones, according to the company, but there is no evidence that the vulnerabilities are currently being targeted by hackers. In response, Qualcomm is believed to have created patches for the bugs and started to use the fixed versions in its factories. SOURCE: 8 August 2016, BBC

#### (U) San Francisco—Hackers Infiltrate Oracle Payment System

(U) US business software company Oracle confirmed that hackers infected software in Micros credit card scanners used at hotels and restaurants around the world. All customers of Micros, known for cloud-based tablet and mobile payments for food, beverages and hotels, are being asked to reset their passwords for an online support portal after Oracle found the malicious code in its legacy systems. It is not clear how widespread the hack is and how the attackers gained access to Oracle system, but some sources believe the hack may be tied to Russian cybercriminals.

SOURCE: 8 August 2016, CNBC

#### (U) NATIONAL

#### (U) Illinois—Chicago PD Alerts Cops of Gangs' Plot to Shoot Officers

(U) Chicago—Leaders from three Chicago gang factions allegedly met last week to discuss plans to shoot members of the Chicago Police Department in response to the recent fatal police shooting of 18-year-old Paul O'Neal. The meeting allegedly took place between higher-ups from the Vice Lords, Black Disciples and Four Corner Hustlers, according to an alert issued to department members the day after the meeting. In response, department members have also been advised to "limit interactions and visibility," according to police sources.

SOURCE: 8 August 2016, Chicago Sun Times

#### (U) INTERNATIONAL

## (U) Ethiopia—Dozens Killed in Continuing Anti-Government Protests

(U) Oromia and Amhara—Scores of people have been killed in Ethiopian authorities' attempt to suppress anti-government demonstrations in the Oromia and Amhara regions. The weekend protests erupted in response to continued detention of opposition demonstrators, stemming from an aborted government attempt to commandeer local land over the past year. Some reports claim that 48-50 people have been killed in the crackdown, while Amnesty International puts the death toll at over 90. SOURCE: 8 August 2016, Al Jazeera

#### (U) France—Teenage Girl Charged Over Suspected Attack Plot

(U) Paris—A judge has handed a 16-year-old French girl preliminary terrorism charges for allegedly

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supporting the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) and trying to perpetrate an attack, prosecutors said yesterday. Investigators said the girl was "extremely radicalized" and was using Telegram, a social media app, to spread calls by ISIL to commit violent acts. The girl, who has no criminal history, was placed in custody.

SOURCE: 8 August 2016, Associated Press

#### (U) Italy—UN Condemns Increase in Sex Trafficking of Nigerian Women

(U) The UN's International Office of Migration (IOM) says that the trafficking of Nigerian women from Libya to Italy is reaching "crisis" levels. Over 3,600 Nigerian women arrived by boat into Italy in the first six months of 2016, almost double the number who were registered in the same time period last year. IOM officials say that more than 80% of these women will be trafficked into prostitution in Italy and across Europe, warning that placing these women in reception centers along with thousands of other migrants plays to the traffickers' advantage, with women regularly going missing. SOURCE: 8 August 2016, The Guardian

## (U) Pakistan—70 Dead and 120 Injured in Hospital Suicide Bombing

(U) Quetta—A suicide bomber in Pakistan killed at least 70 people and wounded more than 100 yesterday in an attack on mourners gathered at a hospital in the southwestern city of Quetta. Lawyers and journalists, who made up a majority of the deaths and injuries, had gathered at the hospital to mourn and condemn the killing of a prominent lawyer. Both ISIL and a faction of the Pakistani Taliban claimed responsibility, although the Pakistani Taliban has been known to claim responsibility for bombings in the past that it was not involved in. The attack was the deadliest in Pakistan since an Easter Day bombing ripped through a Lahore park, killing at least 72 people.

SOURCE: 8 August 2016, Reuters

## (U) Turkey—Foreign Nationals Arrested for Alleged Ties to Gulen

(U) Ankara—Turkish authorities have detained at least 10 foreign nationals suspected of ties to Fethullah Gulen, a US-based cleric whom Turkey accuses of masterminding the 15 July failed coup. Officials say that at least four have been formally arrested, adding to the nearly 18,000 people that have been detained or arrested in the crackdown, mostly from the military. Tens of thousands of people have also been suspended or dismissed from jobs in the judiciary, media, education, health care, military and local government. Gulen, who is living in a self-imposed exile in Pennsylvania, has denied all involvement.

SOURCE: 8 August 2016, New York Times

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